GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
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EMPLOYMENT GRWOTH RATE OF WOMEN
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether women have performed better than men in terms of employment growth rate during the last five years;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating employment growth rate among males and females separately during the said period; and

(c) the contribution of private sector in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial Labour Force Surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO). In the last five years 1999-2000 to 2004-05, the annual rate of growth in employment as per usual status basis was 2.51% for male and 3.90% for female in the country.

(c) Employment in public sector has declined from 27.96 million in 2000 to 26.49 in 2005 and hence increase in employment (from 397.0 million in 1999-2000 to 459.10 million in 2004-2005 as per usual status basis) is attributable to private sector only, which constitutes about 96% of the total work force in the country.